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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

Morning Meeting of 24 December 1968

The Director was on leave. The Acting Director was in the chair.

Godfrey noted that the Italian Foreign Minister has informed our ambassador that the Italians will support admission of Communist China into the UN and in the interim may recognize China.

Godfrey informed that the Belgians still intend to disengage troops from NATO by mid-January.

D/ONE advised that it would not appear necessary to hold a USIB meeting on 2 January.

	Maury noted that Howard K. Smith's editorial concerning the Pueblo and the value of electronic intelligence on last night's ABC seven o'clock news was excellent. He suggested to that a transcript be obtained.	25
	Parrott reported onmeeting with General Maxwell Taylor and Dr. Baker and advised that the latter appear to be on the wave length now on progress in the information handling field.	25X
,	Parrott noted that PFIAB will hold a final one-day meeting on 10 January which may well be an executive session.	25
	ADD/S&T reported that the briefing of the Townes panel went well.	20
	Acting Director indicated that the Navy has asked CIA to participate in the debriefing of the Pueblo crew which begins on 26 December in San Diego.	

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